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Amendment

Dear Examiner Ergenbright:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2002.

In the Claims:

The claims in the application are presented herewith, together with a marked-up copy of the claims showing the changes made in this Amendment.

39. (Amended twice) The apparatus as claimed in claim 88, comprising:

a pair of tool supports (1,2) for holding at least two tools (3) in pairs, and
a tool support feed (5) for lateral positioning of at least one of said at least two tools (3a, b, c, d) above a first transport path (100) along which a cable (107) whose insulation is to be stripped can be inserted in its feed direction, wherein said tool support feed (5) is formed for a controlled lateral drive for controlled sideward movement of at least one of said pair of tool supports (1,2) to any desired position within a working range laterally with respect to said first transport path (100).

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